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ACFL COMMITTEE APPROVES LOCAL PROGRAMS;  
WORKERS FIND LIVING CONDITIONS DIFFICULT

APPROVES WELFARE PROGRAM AND APPOINTMENTS -- Hong Kong Wen-hui Pao, 1 Mar 50

Peiping, 27 February (Hsin-hua) -- On 25 February, the standing committee meeting of the All-China Federation of Labor met and took the following actions:

1. Approved the temporary regulations decided at the first delegates' conference of the China Transport Workers' Union (CTWU) concerning transport workers' welfare, including pensions to workers and dependents for disability or loss of life at work, discussed problems pertaining to organizing consumers' cooperatives for the transport workers, appointed An Li-fu (Ueda: 2309, 856, 1949) and 29 others as the official members of the National Committee for the CTWU; Kung Hsin-po (14882, 4376, 6086) and five others as candidates to the said committee; An Li-fu as the chairman of the said committee; and Lu Wei-yu (12870, 8879, 13565) and four others as the members of the examining committee.
2. Approved the resolution on the adoption of collective contracts by the National Textile Workers' Union.
3. Appointed 96 members of the National Committee, China Railroad Workers' Union, including T'eng Tai-yuan (6448, 192, 12070), Lu Cheng-ts'ao (1222, 5643, 4089), and Li Chieh-po (4735, 13335, 228).
4. Appointed the 64 members of the executive committee in the Peiping General Labor Union, including P'eng Chen (3113, 7827), Liu Jen (840, 170), Hsiao Ming (10128, 4485); Liu Fu-kuei (840, 2366, 11355) and nine others as candidates for the said committee; Yang Pao-sung (5123, 2407, 2670) and eight others as members of the expenditures inspecting committee with Han Chu-ju (12132, 70, 2031) and another man as candidates for the said committee.

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5. Approved the resolution to postpone the projected Munitions Workers' Union Conference.

WORKERS PROTEST FORCED BUYING OF BONDS -- Hong Kong Hsin-sheng Wan-po, 2 Mar 50

Hong Kong -- According to this morning's Te-ch'en Hsin-pao, a Hong Kong newspaper, a traveler who recently returned from Hankow remarked that the Communist authorities there are faced with widespread labor strikes.

Labor unions in Hankow have decided to call a general strike in protest against the Communist order to purchase victory bonds with workers' new year bonus money. Hankow traffic has been paralyzed and many factories, restaurants, and shops have been forced out of business because of the strike, the same informant said.

CURRENCY DEPRECIATION MAKES LIVING DIFFICULT -- Hong Kong Kung-shang Jih-pao, 26 Feb 50

Canton, 25 February -- Since the prohibition of the circulation of foreign currency and the depreciation of the people's currency, Canton workers are finding it difficult to sustain a livelihood for themselves and their families.

The workers' wages are fixed at a certain amount of rice, calculated according to grain prices and paid in people's currency; therefore, the wages received are very little. Under the Communist rule, however, the workers can make no appeal for an improvement of existing conditions.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS WORKERS UNEMPLOYED -- Hong Kong Kung-shang Jih-pao, 26 Feb 50

Canton, 25 February -- The Communist authorities' inspection and suppression of private radio installations have thrown more than 1,000 Canton telecommunication workers out of work. According to one worker, the latest Communist measure has not only affected many telecommunication workers but also caused considerable damage to the telegraph business.

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